Further, Government has allotted 68 captive coal blocks to different consumers for captive use.

(e) CIL has adopted a new technology *i.e.* selective mining for extraction of coal from opencast mines by deploying surface miners, which helps in the quality of coal by segregating shale/stones. Further, new technological method for coal washing such as Column Flotation and Spiral Concentrator are planned to be installed at CCL and BCCL respectively.

India's role in Iraq rebuilding

420. SHRIGIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of India's role in Iraq's rebuilding; and

(b) the benefits to accrue to India in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) In response to UN Secretary-General's appeal in 2003, India has committed US $20 million for assistance to the Iraqi people for rehabilitation and reconstruction. Government of India has also contributed an amount of US $ 10 million to the two Iraq Trust Funds being coordinated by the UN and World Bank respectively for reconstruction of Iraq. India has offered assistance to Iraq in the reconstruction world through capacity-building and development of its human resources by providing training in India to Iraqi officials in wide ranging areas. As part of humanitarian assistance, Government of India has supplied milk powder to Iraqi children and is providing fortified biscuits to Iraqi school children in cooperation with the UN World Food Programme.

(b) India's relations with Iraq will be further strengthened to mutual benefit.

Conditions on India for nuclear deals

421. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the US Under Secretary of State Nicholas Burns visited New Delhi in January, 2006 for discussions with the Foreign Secretary on the implementation of the Indo-US nuclear deal of July, 2005;